

WILTON PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

News From The Pews

March 25, 2018

2018 STEWARDSHIP UPDATE

Our Presbytery requires a yearly **Per Capita Fee** for every member from confirmation age and up? This year the fee is **\$52** per person.

If everyone's pledge went up to include at least this cost, we would be **\$13,000** closer to closing our budget gap.

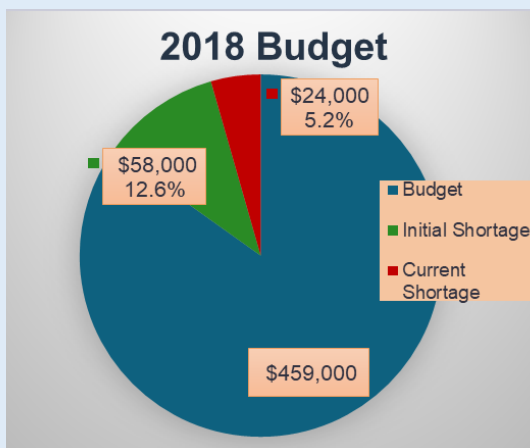
Budget Barometer

2018 Budget: \$459,000

Initial Shortage: \$58,000

Current Shortage: \$24,000

Last Week's Shortage
\$30,000



Prayers and Concerns

Please Pray For:

Marjorie Wilkinson, Jackson Kleeman, Steve Connor, Brandon Bone, Emily Bohrer; Nate & Natasha Taylor, who are still without power. Linda Cannella's brother and sister in law.

~REMINDER~

Easter Flower Donations

Due no later than
March 26th.

Extra forms are located in
the narthex.

CHURCH OFFICE

Do you want to get word out about a gathering or meeting in the weekly newsletter? Please contact Suzanne in the office, no later than Tuesday of that week.

Church Office
wpchurch@wiltonpresbyterian.org

ACTS OF SERVICE

This past Friday our Confirmands, their Mentors, parents and members participated in Midnight Run. They worked tirelessly through the evening into the overnight hours delivering hot meals and the items that were generously donated including sleeping bags, winter clothing, men suits and sport coats.

This would not be possible without the coordination of Ralph Bernabei and the support of the extraordinary congregation members

Thank You

HOLY WEEK

Sunday, March 25th Palm Sunday

- 10:00 AM Worship Service with Rev. White preaching. Children's Church
11:30 AM Adult Education Series (Pt.3)/Lounge
11:30 AM Senior Youth Group Lunch Gathering

Monday, March 26th

- 12:00 PM AA Meeting/Upper Core
7:30 PM New Life AA Meeting/Upper Core

Wednesday, March 28th

- 8:00 AM Morning Prayer Service
2:00 PM Afternoon Prayer Service
6:45 PM New Life AA Meeting/ Upper Core

Thursday, March 29th Maundy Thursday

- 6:30 PM Bell Choir Rehearsal/Upper Core
7:00 PM Maundy Thursday Dinner & Communion Service/ Parish Hall

Friday, March 30th Good Friday

- 12:00 PM AA Meeting/Upper Core
8:00 PM AA Meeting/Upper Core

Saturday, March 31st

- 9:30 AM Easter Choir Rehearsal/Sanctuary

Sunday, April 1st Easter Sunday

- 6:30 AM Easter Sunrise Service at Hillside
10:00 AM Easter Sunday Worship Service
Communion will be served. Rev. White will be preaching & Children's Church
11:00 AM Annual Easter Egg Hunt

TODAY'S READINGS & HYMNS

Reading: Mark 11:1-11

Hymn: # 88 All Glory, Laud, and Honor

Reading: Psalm 118:1-2, 19-29

Reading: Mark 15:1-15

Hymn: # 363 I want Jesus to Walk with Me



MAUNDY THURSDAY DINNER

On **March 29th at 7:00 pm** we will gather for our annual Maundy Thursday Dinner in the Parish Hall. Our WPC family will commemorate this event with fellowship, a shared meal and communion service. You should be receiving a flyer from your deacon with specific details. Everyone is welcome including members, visitors, children and friends. Those without a deacon should email Mary Wright at tnwrights@gmail.com.

CHOIR CORNER

With Al Galletly

The choir will sing two anthems this morning, plus a familiar – and timely – choral benediction. “On the Road to Calvary” is from a larger choral work called “Olivet to Calvary,” a seven-part cantata written by British composer John Henry Maunder (1858-1920). It was his only major composition. Born in Chelsea, Maunder studied at the Royal Academy of Music in London, and served as organist for a number of London-based churches, frequently accompanying concerts in the Albert Hall. Our Offertory today – “Jerusalem Rejoices” – was written by yours truly in 1977. It was originally composed for the four choirs at the Cathedral Church of St. Petersburg, FL: the adult Sanctuary Choir (which was the one Jan and I sang in), the College Choir, the Youth Choir (daughter Helen was in this choir) and the Children's Choir (Meg's choir). When performed there, the four choirs were positioned in different locations throughout the Cathedral, which provided for some fine antiphonal choral singing. The text of the anthem was written by Frank Kendon; except the verse three, which I wrote for the Children's Choir. Finally, the choral benediction today is “Were You There?”, which appropriately leads us into Passion week ending with Christ's Crucifixion on Good Friday.

Are you Interested in joining choir?

Please contact the Music Director, Al Galletly
music@wiltonpresbyterian.org or agalletly88s@gmail.com

CHILDREN'S CHURCH NEWS

With Nate Taylor

This week, our classes are revisiting the events of Holy Week in a way that is appropriate and meaningful for each age group. By rehearsing the story of Holy Week, Easter will take on a deeper significance for our children.

Our children move from our Palm Sunday worship to learn about the first Palm Sunday when Jesus rode into Jerusalem on the back of a donkey and was greeted by followers who joyfully waved palm branches. Lastly, we then prepare for the joy of Easter by retelling the story of the Last Supper, Jesus' trial, and the crucifixion.

Next week, we will have an Easter egg hunt for the children immediately following worship. Please plan on supervising your children as they hunt. If you are willing to help hide eggs during worship please talk to Nate.

Peace, Grace & Love, Nate

*For more information on any of these events email
Nate Taylor nate.taylor@wiltonpresbyterian.org

Dining with the Divas

Are you looking for an evening with your girlfriends, laughter and good food? Well, Dining with the Diva's is just that!! Once a month our ladies from WPC meet at a local restaurant to enjoy new/old friendships along with good food! Our next gathering will be at Bianco Rosso on **Wednesday, April 4th at 6:30pm**. For more information please contact Berta Hull bertahull@gmail.com

OUTDOOR WORK DAY *save the Date*

Please save the date and join us to help beautify our grounds. Everyone is welcome and we NEED your help!!

Saturday, April 21

9am-12noon

Please contact Sandy at wepeco@optonline.net

ADULT EDUCATIONAL SERIES

Why Do Bad Things Happen to Good People?

Join us **today, March 25 from 11:15am-12:30pm** in the Lounge, as Rev. Dr. Susan DeGeorge presents the last of a 3 week series on the book of Job.

D. H. Lawrence has written, “If you want a story of your own soul, it is perfectly done in the book of Job...” And yet, what is that soul story told in this biblical book? Is it a story of a perfect person who suffers without cause and wonders why? Is it a series of conversations among friends trying to be supportive to one whose life has gone off track? Is it a dialogue with God about whether various aspects of life make sense? We will look at these questions as we explore not only what the biblical writer(s) intended by the book of Job, but the way it has been interpreted by later writers, psychologists, environmentalists, and theologians.

Open to All, Childcare provided

YOUTH GROUP NEWS

Senior Youth Group

Luncheon Gathering

Sunday, April 22

Time: 11:30am

8th Gr. Youth Group & Confirmation Meeting

Tuesday, April 3

Time: 3:30pm

Middle School Youth Group

Off Campus Retreat to Ben's Bells

Tuesday, April 24

Time: 3:30pm

*For more information on any of these events
email Julie Fowler
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